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In the application of:

Oskar K. Wack, et al.

Serial Number:

09/142,452

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For:

METHOD OF CLEANING OBJECTS

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING CPA APPLICATION

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please delete claims 12-46 and replace them with the attached claims 47 - 65.

Please amend page 1 of the specification, immediately after the title, by inserting the following This application is a continuing application of Serial Number 09/142,452, which was a continuation-in-part application of Serial Number 08/705,237.

The entire disclosure of the parent application Serial Number 08/705,237 is herewith incorporated by reference.--

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A new Power of Attorney signed by the inventor is enclosed.

Should the Examiner have any comments or suggestions, or wish to discuss the merits of the application, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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